THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) Jangla Village is not under the marketing jurisdiction of IOC's Rohru distributorship.

Foreign Loans by O.N.G.C.

1038. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount of foreign loans taken by O. N. G. C. as on date, including both utilised and sanctioned, what are the details regarding dates of sanction;

(b) what is the annual interest being paid by O.N.G.C. for such foreign loans; and

(c) details of pending applications by O.N.G.C. for foreign loans?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The foreign loans taken directly by ONGC between 1978-79 and 1990-91 upto 31.3.91 (converted at the rates of conversion existing on the respective dates of drawal) total Rs. 5944.36 crores. World Bank has recently sanctioned US $ 450 million (Rs. 1170 crores) for the Gas Flaring Reduction Project.

(b) An amount of Rs. 476.57 crores has been paid/provided as interest on these foreign loans during the year 1990-91.

(c) At present ONGC has requested for loans for the Gandhar Field Development Project and the Gas Flaring Reduction Project from ADB etc.

LPG requirement by the year 2000 AD

1039. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the requirement of LPG in India for 1991-92 and whether our indigenous production will meet this requirement;

(b) if not, what are the steps proposed to meet the demand by the year 2000 AD; and

(c) what amount will be incurred by 2000 A.D. in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) The availability of LPG in 1991-92 including imports is estimated at 2495 TMT. LPG being a deficit product new enrolment of customers is limited to availability. However, the LPG availability is proposed to be augmented through enhanced indigenous production and imports.

Flaring of Gas in Mehasana Region

1040. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

SHRI SOM PAL:

SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH:

SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in Mehasana Project region gas is burnt but not made available to surrounding cities through pipe lines; and

(b) what is the quantity of the gas burnt here and since when and the quantity required for Kalal and Mehsa cities through pipeline?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Gas which is being flared at Mehsana can be made available to consumers only on completition of the ongoing project of installing compressors at Mehsana.